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Re: Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment
Application of : MICHEL, Alan Dean; McATEER, Jeffrey Phillip; and
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Serial No.: 09/623,209
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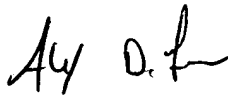
RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

In response to the December 23, 2003, Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicants are resubmitting the amended Figures 1, 3 and 4 with the title "Replacement Sheet" placed in the portrait position instead of the landscape position. The Applicants have already provided an explanation of all of the changes to the figures in its Response to Office Action dated December 8, 2003. Thus, the Applicants respectfully submit that it has corrected the only defect noted in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and respectfully request acceptance of its proposed replacement drawing sheets.

For this reason, it is respectfully submitted that Applicants have made a patentable contribution to the art. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is therefore respectfully requested. In the event Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for payment of an additional fee, Applicants conditionally petition therefore and authorize any deficiency to be charged to Deposit Account No. 09-0007.

Respectfully submitted,

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